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H. R. 643

[Report No. 107-93]

To reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2001

Mr. GILCHREST introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Resources

JUNE 12, 2001

Additional sponsors: Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA and Mr. ABERCROMBIE

JUNE 12, 2001

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italics]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 14, 2001]

A BILL

To reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 *This Act may be cited as the “African Elephant Con-*
 3 *servation Reauthorization Act of 2001”.*

4 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF AFRICAN ELEPHANT CON-**
 5 **SERVATION ACT.**

6 *Section 2306 of the African Elephant Conservation Act*
 7 *(16 U.S.C. 4245) is amended by striking “1997” and all*
 8 *that follows through “2002” and inserting “2001, 2002,*
 9 *2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007”.*

10 **SEC. 3. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.**

11 *Section 2306 of the African Elephant Conservation Act*
 12 *(16 U.S.C. 4245) is further amended—*

13 *(1) by striking “There are authorized” and in-*
 14 *serting “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized”; and*

15 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

16 *“(b) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—Of amounts avail-*
 17 *able each fiscal year to carry out this Act, the Secretary*
 18 *may expend not more than 3 percent or \$80,000, whichever*
 19 *is greater, to pay the administrative expenses necessary to*
 20 *carry out this Act.”.*

21 **SEC. 4. COOPERATION.**

22 *Part I of the African Elephant Conservation Act (16*
 23 *U.S.C. 4211 et seq.) is further amended by adding at the*
 24 *end the following:*

1 **“SEC. 2104. ADVISORY GROUP.**

2 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*To assist in carrying out this Act,*
 3 *the Secretary may convene an advisory group consisting*
 4 *of individuals representing public and private organiza-*
 5 *tions actively involved in the conservation of African ele-*
 6 *phants.*

7 “(b) *PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.*—

8 “(1) *MEETINGS.*—*The Advisory Group shall—*

9 “(A) *ensure that each meeting of the advi-*
 10 *sory group is open to the public; and*

11 “(B) *provide, at each meeting, an oppor-*
 12 *tunity for interested persons to present oral or*
 13 *written statements concerning items on the agen-*
 14 *da.*

15 “(2) *NOTICE.*—*The Secretary shall provide to the*
 16 *public timely notice of each meeting of the advisory*
 17 *group.*

18 “(3) *MINUTES.*—*Minutes of each meeting of the*
 19 *advisory group shall be kept by the Secretary and*
 20 *shall be made available to the public.*

21 “(c) *EXEMPTION FROM FEDERAL ADVISORY COM-*
 22 *MITTEE ACT.*—*The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5*
 23 *U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the advisory group.”.*

24 **SEC. 5. PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY.**

25 *Section 2101 of the African Elephant Conservation Act*
 26 *(16 U.S.C. 4211) is amended by redesignating subsection*

1 (e) as subsection (f), and by inserting after subsection (d)
 2 the following:

3 “(e) *PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY*.—To the maximum ex-
 4 tent practical, in determining whether to approve project
 5 proposals under this section, the Secretary shall give consid-
 6 eration to projects that will enhance sustainable conserva-
 7 tion programs to ensure effective long-term conservation of
 8 African elephants.”.

9 **SEC. 6. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

10 (a) *CONFORMING AND CLERICAL AMENDMENTS*.—The
 11 African Elephant Conservation Act is amended as follows:

12 (1) Section 2101(a) (16 U.S.C. 4211(a)) is
 13 amended by striking “African Elephant Conserva-
 14 tion”.

15 (2) Section 2102 (16 U.S.C. 4212) is amended
 16 by striking the section heading and all that follows
 17 through “(d) *ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF DONA-*
 18 *TIONS*.—” and inserting the following:

19 **“SEC. 2102. ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF DONATIONS.”.**

20 (3) Section 2304 (16 U.S.C. 4243) is repealed.

21 (4) Section 2305(4) (16 U.S.C. 4244(4)) is
 22 amended by striking “the African Elephant Conserva-
 23 tion Fund established by section 2102” and inserting
 24 “the account established by division A, section 101(e),

1 *title I of Public Law 105–277 under the heading*
2 ‘*MULTINATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND*’”.

3 **(b) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.**—*Title I of section 101(e)*
4 *of division A of Public Law 105–277 (112 Stat. 2681–237)*
5 *is amended under the heading “MULTINATIONAL SPECIES*
6 *CONSERVATION FUND” by striking “Rhinoceros and Tiger*
7 *Conservation Act, subchapter I” and inserting “Rhinoceros*
8 *and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994, part I”.*

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